

[DOCUMENT NAME] CLAIMS

[1] A hinge structure comprising:

a hinge portion for swingably connecting a pair of connected portions to each other; and

5 a pair of connection portions adapted to connect the hinge portion to the connected portions,

wherein at least one of the connection portions is extended in an axial direction along a specified surface of one of the connected portions and continuously connected to the specified surface.

10 [2] The hinge structure according to claim 1, wherein the connection portion and the hinge portion are integrally formed by molding elastically deformable synthetic resin.

[3] The hinge structure according to claim 2, wherein the connection portion, the hinge portion and the connected portions are
15 integrally formed.

[4] The hinge structure according to claim 3, wherein the connection portion is arranged in a recessed portion provided on the specified surface of the connected portion.

[5] The hinge structure according to any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein
20 the hinge portion is arranged in the axial direction.

[6] The hinge structure according to any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the hinge portion and at least one of the connection portions have their side surfaces smoothly continued to each other.

[7] A hinge structure member comprising:
25 a pair of connected portions;
a hinge portion for swingably connecting the pair of connected portions to each other; and
a pair of connection portions adapted to connect the hinge portion to the connected portions,

wherein at least one of the connection portions is extended in an axial direction along a specified surface of one of the connected portions and continuously connected to the specified surface.

[8] The hinge structure member according to claim 7, wherein

5 one of the connected portions is a fixed member, and the other of the connected portions is a movable member.

[9] The hinge structure member according to claim 8, wherein

the fixed member is a support frame, and the movable member is an operation button.